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Bilek, Jones win run-off election by narrow margin

Kristin Zagurski EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

In the closest election in recent years, Joe Bilek and Kamina Jones clinched the seats of student body president/regent and vice president, respectively, Wednesday night by a five-vote margin.

Student Government standards mandate a 50-percent plus one margin for victory.

A total of 678 students voted in Tuesday and Wednesday's run-off election. Bilek and Jones received 345 votes,

accounting for 50.88 percent of the total votes cast.

Opponents Krissy Vogel and Aaron Winters received 325 votes, or 47.94 percent of the total votes.

The remaining eight votes were five write-ins and three no votes.

Bilek said he is excited to get to work for the students.

His first course of action will be to write program to help the Student Government's senators represent the students more effectively.

He said he would like to thank

everyone who voted for both him and Vogel, making the election interesting.

"Thanks everyone who came out twice to vote," he said, adding special thanks to his family and Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity brothers.

Bilek said his competition had him planning out his Thursday nights because he did not think he had the decision.

"They ran one heck of a race," Bilek

Winters said he was disappointed about the results, but that a five-vote margin is particularly close.

"You can't get much closer than that,"

Winters, who will remain Student Government's executive treasurer until his term ends in May, said he will continue to get things done even though he did not

Winters and Vogel had been active with student groups that rallied against university budget cuts.

Vogel called her and Winters' supporters amazing.

"They really believed in me," she said, voicing her appreciation for all the support she was given.

She said she still plans to be involved, though not in Student Government, and hopes she can still make a difference.

The run-off election came two weeks after the original election, in which Bilek and Jones secured 47.22 percent of the vote over Vogel and Winters' 44.33 percent.

A total of 934 students voted in the Oct.

The 50 percent plus one mandate is not a part of the Student Government's constitution, but it has been the set standard for determining majority, Barb Treadway-Janousek, director of Student Organizations and Leadership Programs, said.



Junior marketing major Joe Bilek will take office in January as UNO's new student body president/regent.

She said a post-election meeting could lead the election commission to redefine majority to mean simply whoever garners the most votes for next year's election.

Had this week's vote been as close as the earlier election's, the voting could have gone on indefinitely, Treadway-Janousek

candidate Krissy Vogel and her running mate Aaron Winters distribute candy in the MBSC plaza Wednesday. Career Fair opens doors for students

JOSIE LOZA NEWS EDITOR

Andrew Vaughn (left) helps student body president/regent

Libby Hasenbank browsed dozens of booths at the Career Fair on Wednesday looking for information about future jobs.

Hasenbank, a freshman, said she wasn't looking for a job at the moment.

"I just wanted to see what the area businesses had to offer," she said.

She was offered three part-time positions and an internship from various corporations.

"It's great that these business come from all over," Hasenbank said.

More than 89 business set up booths at the fair to distribute brochures, applications and business cards. Many students were also able to have representatives critique their portfolios.

Student Jamie Anderson believes the Career Fair is an effective way to bring businesses and students together.

"It's a good way to lure people in," she said.

Nancy Nish, director of UNO's Career Center, said the attendance for the fair averaged 1,200 students.

"It's been a great turn out," she said.

Nish encouraged all students to attend the event. She said that over the years she has noticed seniors and freshmen tend to take advantage of the fair.

'It's good for the underclassmen to attend and find out the potential job opportunities available for them," Nish said.

Jessica Knoke, a junior, said she was looking for more information about acquiring a job in the fields of law enforcement and banks.

"I learned that you have to be 21 to take the standardized



Katie Spickerman of ConAgra speaks with UNO student Jill Johnstone (right) during the Career Fair held in the Milo Bail Student Center Wednesday.

test to become an officer in both the Omaha and Sarpy police forces," she said. "I'm not 21, so I guess I have to wait."

Junior Elene Cudd went to the fair to gather pamphlets about educational organizations.

These career fairs don't really have anything that relates to me," she said.

Cudd, an education major, said there is more of a focus on corporate institutions rather than the educational field. Knoke said that the availability of information depends on a student's major.

'If you're going into business, there are lots of opportunities," she said.

Library offers writing assistance program

KRIS KOHLMEIER STAFF WRITER

A new program has begun for students seeking writing

In the past, students seeking help with their writing visited the Learning Center, located in the lower level of the library. However, the Learning Center closed in September due to budget cuts.

Recently, the library has started advertising its new writing assistance program.

Stefanie Armstrong, a graduate student in counseling, offers writing assistance through the reference desk. A former Learning Center graduate assistant, she began tutoring through the library shortly after the center's close.

"They did so much," Armstrong said of the Learning Center. "One person cannot do what a staff of 12 to 15 people did."

The former junior high language arts teacher tutors for approximately five to eight hours a week. She currently sees about five students each week.

According to a flier from the library, Armstrong offers advice on style and structure, grammar and citations.

This is the first time a graduate assistant has been hired by the library. Tutoring is part of the job description.

Only one person is offering writing assistance this semester. Armstrong says there are no plans to hire others, though the situation could change in the future.

Armstrong will be a graduate assistant until June. Students wishing to receive writing assistance should call 554-3213. Appointments must be made in advance.

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UNO student runs for OPS school board

JOSIE LOZA NEWS EDITOR

UNO student Anthony FastHorse is getting his first taste of real-life politics.

The 28-year-old political science major is competing to represent the Subdistrict 1 for the Omaha Public Schools. Schools in the district include Northwest High School and elementary schools Ponca, Florence, Pinewood, Minne Lusa and Hartman.

School board elections will be held Nov. 5. If elected, FastHorse said, he would hold monthly meetings to hear from constituents.

The student said he was inspired to run for school board by his college professor, the late Bernie Kolasa.

Kolasa was a school board member until his death Sept. 30.

"The whole process at first was a bit intimidating," FastHorse said, "but once you get into it and more driven by your issues, your convictions are what keep

FastHorse said he asked Kolasa

how he would get involved with politics.

"He told me not to be intimidated it because it's nothing to be intimidated by," FastHorse said.

FastHorse, who has two children who attend Florence Elementary, agrees with his opponent on many of the issues facing the district. They agree the district is taking the right steps in boosting achievement in inner-city schools and that the district needs more tax money if it is going to maintain services for students.

FastHorse said he would get into the schools more often than his opponent would and interact with staff and students.

"I think it would be a more sound policy if you had more input," he said. "You'd have a better chance of finding common ground."

FastHorse also wants to push for more parental involvement. He would like to have parents become more with their children's' involved education.

He has seen its impact in his own

life with his daughter. Busy at work and school, he wasn't spending much time with her and she was struggling on homework.

"When I started to get more involved with my 8-year-old daughter's education, I could see the increase in her grades and self-esteem," he said. "Just reading for about 15 minutes a day does something."

FastHorse would like to see more of an emphasis on community input.

There needs to be more communication between parents and teachers," FastHorse said. "I'm more than willing to get out and communicate with the public. A thousand heads are better than one."

Even though FastHorse will be juggling school, work, family and the school board position, he believes he can find balance.

"It is a lot of pressure doing all of them but if it's something you really want to do you will make the time," FastHorse said. "I will devote my time to the school board like it needs to be."



Anthony FastHorse, a political science major at UNO, is competing to represent OPS Subdistrict 1.

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Attorney of convicted murderer to visit UNO as part of Native American Heritage Month

CYNTHIA VANA STAH WRITER

Indian activist Leonard Peltier has spent the last quarter of a century in Leavenworth Penitentiary. He wrote a book, Prison Writings, in which he says, "I swear to you, I am guilty only of being an Indian. That's why I'm here."

Peltier is serving two life sentences for a murder he says he did not commit and he's not the only one professing his

Bruce Ellison, Peltier's attorney and longtime activist for the Native American cause, will present "The Leonard Peltier Case" Tuesday, Nov. 5 at 11:30 a.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center's Nebraska Room. The presentation is part of UNO's Native American Heritage Month celebration.

The case has gained worldwide attention, turning Peltier into a political prisoner, according to a press release.

Peltier is convicted of murdering two FBI agents during an incident on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in 1975. While evidence suggesting his innocence is strong, so is the evidence suggesting his guilt. Thousands of people claim Peltier has been wrongly convicted and according several Web site sources, Peltier claims the FBI framed him.

The 200-plus names listed on a "Supporters of Clemency for Leonard Peltier" Web site include Nobel laureates such as Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, scholars, foreign parliaments, literary artists and celebrities such as Jane Fonda, Whoopie Goldberg and Harry Belafonte. Civil Rights leaders and Native American organizations such as the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Cherokee Nation are also among signers.

A Reuters article written by Carey Gillam in 2000 describes a backlash against the clemency drive for Peltier nearly three years ago: Clinton rejected a request for a presidential pardon while hundreds of FBI officials rallied at the White House to oppose Peltier's release.

A dedicated activist for the Native American cause, Ellison has never stopped working for Peltier's release.

"I'm anxious to meet him," said Connie Sorensen-Birk, Project Achieve English and reading specialist and coordinator for the Peltier program. After several phone conversations with Ellison, she described him as, "A real decent person, down to earth, accessible. He seems genuine."

Since 1976, Ellison has specialized in criminal defense cases, including 26 murder cases.

Ellison's work has been published in various collections, such as Of Earth and Elders by Serle Chapman and States of Confinement by Joy James. He has also served as a consultant for film and television documentaries.

Two of the documentaries, Incident at Oglala and Warrior, will be showing continuously in conjunction with the Leonard Peltier Case presentation. They will air Nov. 5 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the Dodge Room of the MBSC.

The Leonard Peltier Case presentation is sponsored by the

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Cautious decisions could prevent catastrophes

Leia Baez STAFF WRITER

Everyone has the freedom to make decisions but sometimes those decisions may be wrong and change a person's life forever.

Conrad Jones, a 22-year-old Bellevue West graduate, had his whole life ahead of him. He was outgoing, friendly and highly involved with athletics. But just as everything seemed to be going perfectly for Jones, four months before his marriage, one decision changed his life forever.

Sid Sherry, treasurer of the Metro Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, informed UNO students of the consequences of drinking and driving in a speech Tuesday afternoon. The event, held in the Dodge Room of the Milo Bail Student Center,

UNO.

Sherry, who is Jones' older sister, said she wishes she could stand in front of everyone and say, "My brother was killed by a drunk driver," but instead she said her brother was a drunken

Jones and his best friend were killed instantly Feb. 17, 1995, after celebrating in Fremont. When students viewed the pictures of the maroon Chevrolet Beretta Jones was driving before the accident and witnessed the damages of the wreck, the room became silent. The car had been completely crushed and the steering wheel bent in half.

Iones' accident caused a lot of heartache and grief for Sherry. Since the siblings were young, Sherry raised lones while their mother worked.

concluded Alcohol Awareness Week at Sherry said her life has changed drastically since her brother's accident.

"It's a lot harder to let my kids drive and go out to have a good time," Sherry said. "I have nightmares and I don't sleep. I don't think I have had a full night of sleep in seven years."

Sherry said it wasn't only her brother's accident that influenced her to volunteer for MADD. About a year ago, Sherry's son was ticketed as a minor in possession of alcohol. That's when Sherry knew it was time to make

Sherry decided to volunteer for MADD so she could relieve some of her pain through telling her story. She said she attended a therapy group, but there was something missing. Sherry said MADD was able to fill the void.

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College Nights First stop: Sleepy Buena Vista University

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Have any of you Mavericks out there ever wondered what it would be like to go to a college that has a real college life? How about a college where most of the students live on campus? A college where the word "party" actually has a strong meaning?

Unfortunately, some us will never get a first-hand look at what that would be like. However, *The Gateway* would like to give you a little glimpse into real college life and what things are like on other campuses. For the next few weeks, we will be hosting this section to feature several schools within driving distance that are rumored to have a fun atmosphere. Hey, just because you don't go to one of the schools we will cover doesn't mean you can't visit!

Buena Vista University Location: Storm Lake, Iowa Drive time: 2 hours, 15 minutes Fun factor: 3, out of a possible 5

Sleepy is what came to mind as I drove into this town of about 10,000 people (many of whom are students and faculty) for the first time. I saw a plethora of old, yet nicely kept houses clad with brick fronts and white picket fences. There were many old, tall, distinguished looking trees that were turning different shades of red in the coolness of what was becoming winter. I drove onto the campus to find it fairly quiet for a Friday afternoon.

The campus itself looks out across a

beautiful large lake (Storm Lake), which invites students to walk around, sit down and just enjoy its natural beauty.

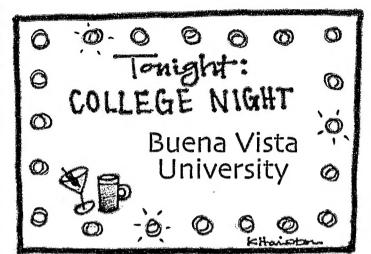
The peaceful Friday afternoon soon came to an end as I was introduced to a "Storm full-fledged Lake Friday Night." Two words come to mind when trying to describe experience wet campus! I found it very odd to see people carting around two cases of beer under

each arm in the dorm hallways, without even trying to hide it from school officials.

Many students, for this reason, opted to party in the dorms. Although there are only so many college students who will fit into a dorm room, some of the students seemed to enjoy this aspect of Buena Vista's college nightlife scene the best.

Many other students, including the friend I was visiting, opted to take the "drunk bus," better known at UNO as the shuttle bus, to the only bar in town that caters to the 18 and older crowd, Malarkey's Bar. To create a mental picture of Malarkey's, think Guitars and Cadillacs, only bigger with college-aged students as the main crowd.

There are several other popular bars in



town with the over 21 crowd, such as Puff's and the Blue Lagoon, but it seemed Malarkey's was the most popular place to be. This could be due to the notorious drink specials, which are nickel pitchers on Wednesday nights from 8:30-10:30 p.m., free pitchers on Friday nights from 8:30-10:30 p.m. and \$1 mixed drinks on Saturday nights from 8:30-10:30p.m. Malarkey's provided my friend and I with a long night of entertainment before we hopped the shuttle back to the dorm and crashed for the night.

Not only does Buena Vista offer real college nightlife, it also has a decent football team. And students actually go to the Saturday games. I was surprised to walk out of the dorm on Saturday afternoon and see

several large couches in the grass with college kids crammed onto them watching the game. Others around them played catch with their own footballs and reminisced of the previous night's activities. After the game, it was like Friday night all over again.

Now I'm not saying the bar/dance club was not fun, but come on, there has to be more to do than go to the same bar every weekend night, right? Wrong. This was one of the major disadvantages that I found with this school's college scene. Although it was fun, the options were very limited, especially for those under 21. Now, I suppose students are forced to become creative after being on campus for a

few weeks and going to the same places, but it would just depend on what your interests were.

Many of the students I talked to during my visit seemed to really enjoy the campus and were satisfied with the experience it offered them. They said although their options for fun were somewhat limited, they really enjoyed what the town did have to offer so it was not a big deal. Many also said the student population is small enough it was easy for them to make closer friends and enjoy their weekends going out in groups of friends.

So if you're looking for some good, old-fashioned, small town fun, Buena Vista should be the destination of your next road trip.

Get informed about candidates

SARAH MEEDEL

SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Elections are just around the corner. Nov. 5 is almost upon us. Many people do not know much about candidates except for the messages broadcast on television commercials.

The League of Women's Voters of Greater Omaha is hoping to inform the public about the candidates and their stances on certain policies. The organization has compiled a publication of questions and answers from candidates from various sectors.

Competing in Nebraska's race for governor are Stormy Dean, Mike Johanns and Paul Rosberg. The candidates were asked a series of questions concerning the future of Nebraska. A summary of the questions and answers follows:

Q: Discuss your approach to balancing Nebraska's budget.

Dean: My approach to balancing the budget involves a five-point plan: asking the tough questions, zero-based budgeting, efficiency management tracking, governor's tax cabinet and re-engineering summits. I believe we need to examine agency spending with a fine-toothed comb.

Johanns: My plan protected priorities including public education, early childhood development, nursing, veterans' homes and public safety.

Rosberg: Raise minimum wage, taking many off of welfare. Fire half of the 785 state employees who are getting wages over \$100,000 per year.

Q: Describe the changes, if any, you support in Nebraska's gambling laws.

Dean: I support casino gambling and video slots as an alternative to tax increases,

ways to stimulate the economy and provide jobs.

Johanns: I opposed the slot machine amendment and do not support expanded gambling. However, I will work with the Legislature to ensure a more reasonable approach for casino gambling.

Rosberg: There are much better ways to generate income. (Rosberg suggests pheasant hunting as a mean for generating revenue.)

Candidates for U.S. senator are Phil Chase, John Graziano, Chuck Hagel and Charlie Matulka. They were also asked a series of questions:

Q: How would you balance preservation of civil liberties with the enhancement of homeland security?

Chase: We need to vigorously support the courts and justice system to make sure that homeland security is not used as an excuse to weaken our civil liberties.

Graziano: It wasn't an overabundance of freedom that allowed the attacks but a failure of our numerous security agencies to do their jobs in the first place.

Hagel: I support legislation that provides law enforcement officials with the additional tools they need to address the threat of terrorism.

Matulka: Homeland security is to defend law-abiding citizens from terrorists, period. Never weaken our civil liberties.

Q: What measures do you support to restore confidence in our economic system?

Chase: Change the deceptive "smoke and mirrors" government accounting system to restore confidence in economic reporting.

Graziano: Make the CEOs and boards

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Gambling is a gamble

JOSH MEINERS STAIL WRITER

The odds may be in favor of Nebraska legalizing gambling. Rumors of casinos locating in Omaha have sparked both controversy and discussion among UNO students.

Pat Freyermuth, Mollie Gordon and Brook Albert are three UNO seniors with very different viewpoints on gambling.

Freyermuth has lived in several states where gambling is legal. Although she supports gambling, she finds it strange how much of an issue it has become in

"It seems like gambling is almost a bigger deal here because there aren't as many things to do," she says.

She feels lowa is greatly benefiting from Omahans' gambling losses.

"Council Bluffs has made so

many improvements to their

city from the casinos' funding and it seems as though the majority of that money is coming Nebraska side of the river," she says. Many of the opponents gambling feel it will add a variety of social problems to Omaha. Freyermuth feels these are not

"The problems associated with gambling are already in Omaha - we're just not receiving any of the benefits," she says. "If someone wants to gamble, the only thing they have to do is drive across the Missouri River, Gambling is a choice

legitimate claims.

people make, much like drinking alcohol, and it's not Nebraska's responsibility to baby-sit adults who can't maintain selfcontrol.

If casinos are allowed to operate in Omaha, Freyermuth feels the money should go toward education.

"Nebraska seems to really be suffering, especially at the university level, when it come to education," she said.

Gordon, a Council Bluffs resident, offers a different perspective on the issue. Although she opposes gambling on the Nebraska side of the river, she does admit Iowa has profited from the presence of

"We have an awesome library in Council Bluffs," she says. "The downtown beautification has improved a lot. People are starting to take notice of the older

> buildings that have an Old Market feel to them and plan on restoring them. Also, the new convention center in Council Bluffs wouldn't have been possible without the casinos." In regards to the

ssue of Nebraska losing money to Gordon Iowa, believes Iowa does not

have an obligation to share this money with Nebraska.

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"If it was Nebraska that had the casinos, they wouldn't feel that they owed Iowa any money," she says. "There are several ways in which Nebraska makes money off Iowa. I am a resident of Iowa, so

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Students vote for various reasons

TOM CENTARRI STAFF WRITER

How does it feel to give an opinion? How does it feel to be heard and have a voice? How does it feel to be a part

of something? On Tuesday, Nov. 5, many UNO students will make time to exercise their rights as American citizens by voting.

Students will choose to vote for various reasons. For many, the feelings of obligation and responsibility themselves, their communities and their country are what get them to the polls.

"I am going to vote because of responsibilities, pride," sophomore marketing major Carly Bennett

says. "It shows respect for the past laws

made and for the women's suffrage movement."

Senior business major Courtney Harms will also be voting to exercise her

> "I will vote because I have no right to complain as a citizen if I don't vote, because I need to exercise my right or I'd be a hypocrite," she

Responsibilities and rights are foundations on which America thrives. Although many students feel voting is their responsibility, for some, voting is even more than that - they want make a difference and a positive impact in the world.

"I am going to pick someone who will make a positive difference and someone who will realize there is

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of directors personally liable for frauds they

Hagel: We must instill better ethics in our schools and boardrooms.

Matulka: Offshore accounts must be seized to repay swindled pension funds.

U.S. representative candidates Douglas Paterson, Jim Simon, Dave Stock and Lee Terry were also questioned:

Q: Would you vote for a bill that puts a limit on drug prices like the one implemented in Canada? Why or why not?

Paterson: Yes, I would vote for such a bill, but it must be tied to a thorough examination of the role pharmaceutical giants play in electing representatives.

Simon: As an alternative to price controls, I would support closing patent loopholes that allow drug companies to unfairly manipulate the law and prevent free competition.

Stock: No. Canada's health care program is a flop and is dangerous.

Terry: No, price caps are historically ineffective in a free market.

Q: What changes, if any, to Social Security do you feel are necessary?

Paterson: Do not privatize Social Security. We must strengthen current federal programs.

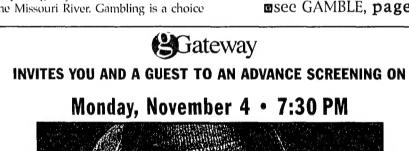
Simon: I oppose privatization because it is a shortsighted Band-Aid that undermines the mission of Social Security.

Stock: Make Social Security optional and privatize it.

Terry: I support reform that allows more flexibility and investment choices for individuals.

The publication contains information on the University of Nebraska regents. Only one candidate, Nancy O'Brien, answered the organization's questions. The publication also contains information on candidates for lieutenant governor, state legislator, secretary of state, attorney general, state treasurer, auditor of public accounts, public service commissioner, school boards, college boards, Douglas Country assessor, Douglas County clerk of the district court, Douglas County engineer, Douglas County sheriff and many

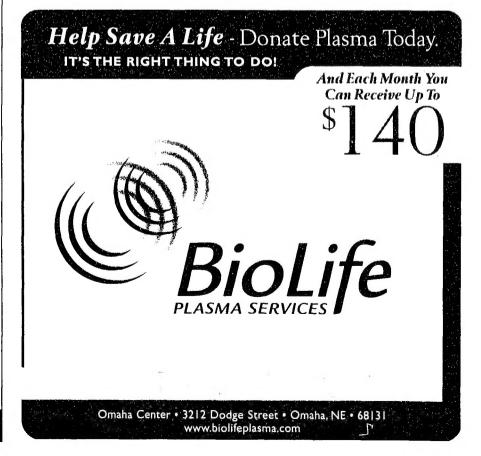
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Carrabba's pricey but worthwhile

JOSH MEINERS
STAIF WRITER

Ay Carrabba! Omaha's newest Italian restaurant is somewhat pricey for the average college student but *mamma mia*, it's good food!

Monday night at the Meiners' household, stomachs were growling. My mother, my girlfriend and I decided to take advantage of the rare simultaneous situation. We jumped in the Jeep and headed for Carrabba's Italian at 14520 West Maple Road.

From the outside, Carrabba's separates itself from the nearby Home Depot. It appears as if there are actually trees growing out of the roof. We later learned that these are in fact real trees sitting in rooftop pots. I personally feel the exterior fools the average customer into thinking Carrabba's might be a cheap eat.

The interior of the restaurant is slightly more elegant but typical. The stucco walls are decorated with murals of vineyards, china-painted plates and large black and white photographs of yesteryear, presumably of Italian people. Above the booths, located along the perimeter of the restaurant, are vine-covered lattices with grapes dangling from them.

The layout of Carrabba's is different from many of the Italian chain restaurants. Instead of multiple dining rooms like Buca di Beppo or Grisanti's, Carrabba's is comprised of one very large dining room, seating 248 people. Another unique feature is the open kitchen. Customers can actually see the pasta being boiled and the pizzas being cooked in wood-burning ovens. A full service bar outlined by brick is also a striking feature.

Carrabba's menu offers many favorites of Italian cuisine, as well as specialties. The *antipasti* (appetizers) start at \$6.49 and include mozzarella marinara as well as various types of seafood. Other

categories listed on the menu are woodfired pizza, grill specialties, pasta specialties and Italian classics. Items from these categories are mostly above \$10, with the exception of the pizzas.

The waiter/waitress will thoroughly explain the menu to anyone who is new to Carrabba's. Our waitress happened to be a student from UNO. She was impressive in her knowledge of the ingredients of each item, as well as the specials of the day. With her assistance, my mother and girlfriend ordered the Pasta Carraba (\$11.99), which includes alfredo, grilled chicken, mushrooms and peas. I ordered the Chicken Gratella (\$12.49), which featured fire-roasted chicken breast, garlic mashed potatoes and zucchini.

As we waited for our meals, the server brought us a sliced loaf of bread. She then poured some oil on a small plate and mixed it with oregano, parsley and dried red pepper. This concoction was the perfect accent for the bread. Everyone at our table was ecstatic about the oily mixture and we proceeded to eat the whole loaf.

After devouring the loaf, the waitress brought our salads. Although the lettuce was fresh and crisp, we were not impressed with the bland Parmesan dressing (our other options were Italian and Caesar).

The main course arrived in what seemed to be 15 minutes from the time we ordered it. Our eyes almost popped out of our heads when we saw how large the chicken breasts were. Without hesitation, we plunged into our plates. Each of us was so excited about what we had ordered we had to try each other's meals. There was not a single moment of disappointment for any of us. The chicken was moist and tasted like it was grilled in the backyard. The sides of zucchini, mushrooms and potatoes were just as mouthwatering.

The best part about the whole meal was that we got to take some of it home.



Maria Garza (left) was among a handful of women who were able to meet Yo Soy Latina playwright Linda Nieves-Powell Wednesday night to address Latina issues.

Playwright says Latinas come in many different flavors

JOSIE LOZA
NEWS EDITOR

It's like taking your first drink from a warm cup of *champurrado* on a gloomy morning.

No matter what kind of day lies ahead, you know as long as you've taken a quick swig of that rich chocolate drink, you'll somehow be prepared for whatever obstacles you come across.

For Latinas, that feeling of warmth symbolizes how special cultural identity is for them.

Linda Nieves-Powell, a multi-talented writer, says Latinas come in many different flavors. She illustrates the essence of a Latina in her off-Broadway play Yo Soy Latina, which translated means "I am Latina."

All Latina women have an idea of what it means to be Latina. That idea, however, has not made waves in mainstream America.

Latino heritage, femininity and contemporary prejudices become a fascinating launching point for Latino Flavored Productions Inc. Nieves-Powell serves as president and CFO. Its mission is to entertain and inspire through creative endeavors flavored with the Latino experience.

UNO's American Multicultural Student Agency presented *Yo Soy Latina* Wednesday to an almost full Strauss Performing Arts Center Recital Hall.

Yo Soy Latina originated from a short monologue Nieves-Powell, a freelance writer for Latina and Estylo magazines, says. The play made its debut in April 2001.

The monologue is about Latinas of all shades, nationalities, ages and attitudes who try to make sense of what it means to be a Latina in America.

Through live performance, the audience meets the inspirational Latina characters and from the writer's voice,

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Evening at the Warbonnet to be performed in Omaha for the first time

VALERIE CUTSHALL
STAL WRITE

For the first in Omaha theater history, Evening at the Warbonnet will be performed in celebration of Native American Awareness Month. Organizations that help put on the play include: UNO's theatre and Native American studies departments, Creighton University, UNO's Multicultural Affairs office and the Omaha Theatre Company for Young People.

The play tells a story about four Native Americans who are on a journey to unburden their souls. The four Native Americans meet in a bar and begin to talk to two bartenders. The bartenders guide the four in their journey to cleanse their souls before they have to stand before the Creator.

The cast showcases members of the Native American community and university students. The cast includes Richard Barea, Albert Two Bears, Elizabeth

Brown, Alain Diaz, Joe Pappan, Greg Place and Cassie Rhoads-Carroli.

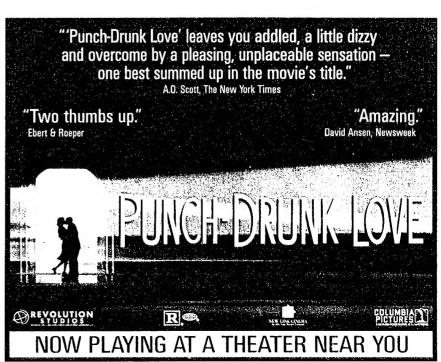
Francene Bythe, director of *Evening at the Warbonnet*, is producing the play as part of the requirements for her Master of Arts degree.

The assistant director is Andrea Lovejoy-Brown, Mallory Prucha designed the costumes and Bill Van Deest designed the set.

Evening at the Warbonnet will be performed at 7 p.m. Nov. 8 and 9 at the Creighton University Lied Center, at noon and 7 p.m. Nov. 15 at UNO's Milo Bail Student Center and at 7 p.m. Nov. 22 and 23 at the Rose Blumkin Hitchcock Theatre.

Ticket prices are \$5 for all performances and may be purchased in advance or at the door. For more information call 554-2335.

Proceeds for the performance at Creighton will go to the Ponca Wellness Center and proceeds for the UNO performance will go toward the UNO pow wow.



Brian Brashaw Sports Editor

Rally monkey spanks Bonds and company

J. Parker Adair
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It happens every year. Adults are magically transported back to their childhood and kids prolong their summer for just a few more days. The majestic fountain of youth: the World Series.

This year's version of the fall classic was no different. Two wild card Cinderellas — San Francisco and Anaheim — concluded a magical postseason with a World Series game seven played just outside Disneyland.

Going into the Series, every team with home field advantage lost their series. The Angels held the field advantage — or disadvantage as the case may be — as the Giants stole game one. In game two, national league MVP Barry Bonds hit his second home run of the Series and hit another in the game three. The bombs weren't enough to burst the Angels spirits, however, as they won both games and a 2-1 Series lead.

Finally comfortable in their familiar Pac Bell Park, the Giants had a rally of their own to win the fourth game and dominated game five, shifting the Series back to Disney.

Going into the bottom of the seventh inning, the Angels were trailing 5-0 and the quest for their first title in their 42-year history was seemingly gone.

But hope had not left the Angels or their fans. They knew all about comebacks — the team started the season with a 4-16 record and had been down in all three playoff series.

They came behind in the second games of the Series. The rally monkey was dancing on the scoreboard and the fans beat their "thunderstix" as Scott Spiezio busted out his own thunderstick with a three-run shot to set the stage for an amazing eighth inning.

Former Cornhusker Darin Erstad jacked a solo blast to pull within one, and singles by Tim Salmon and Garret Anderson along with a Bonds error allowed Series MVP Troy Glaus to hit a two-run double and force game seven.

With a 1-0 lead in game seven, Bonds and company seemed poised once again to take their first Series crown since

However, Cinderella would not be denied as a run in the second and Garret Anderson's bases-loaded triple gave the Halos a 4-1 lead. With two on and two out in the ninth Giant Kenny Lofton lifted one into center field. The golden glove of Erstad, who made the grab that brought the Angels to heaven, replaced the proverbial glass slipper. The rally monkey and the evil empire (Disney) claimed their first sports title.

With the Series over, it's time to give out my Major League Baseball awards:

NL Pitcher belongs to Atlanta Braves closer John Smoltz. He became the game's most dominant closer despite having played his entire career as a starter.

NL MVP is obviously Barry Bonds, the man who went from being the best home run hitter in baseball to the best hitter in baseball.

AL Top Pitcher belongs to Derek Lowe of the Boston Red Sox who went from a less-than-average closer to a member of the no-hit club.

AL MVP belongs to the Oakland A's Miguel Tejada, who helped the A's in a 20-game winning streak that landed them in the playoffs.

Following an amazing season and improbable runs to the postseason, it follows Walt Disney's old adage, "If you can dream it, you can do it," unless you're the Chicago Cubs.

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Third-place Mavericks travel to St. Cloud

BRIAN BRASHAW
SPORTS LIDITOR

UNO took a giant leap toward the top of the North Central Conference with its win over last year's Division II football national champions North Dakota last Saturday.

The Mavericks are now in third place in the NCC however, they will face a new challenge Saturday when they square off with St. Cloud State, the No. 2 team in the conference.

St. Cloud State carries a 4-2 conference mark, but their losses have been extremely narrow.

They lost to NCC front-runner Northern Colorado like UNO did, in overtime. The Huskies then fell last week to in-state rival Minnesota State–Mankato, 41-40, when a field goal attempt sailed wide in the last minute.

Breaking open running holes for UNO back James E. Johnson may prove the most daunting task for the Mavericks' beefy O-line.

The Husky defense has allowed just two 100-yard rushers all season.

However, Johnson has run for 100 or more yards the last four games. Quarterback Brian Masek has found ways to win and is finding his offensive groove.

The St. Cloud offense is diverse. They can run and throw, whichever the situation calls for.

Their running back, freshman



Brian Masek ran for two touchdowns against UND last Saturday. The Mavericks, currently in third place, will face No. 2 St. Cloud State Saturday in Minnesota.

photo by Chris Machian

Matt Birkel, has arrived to lead the team in rushing. Birkel has 485 rushing yards with four touchdowns this year and a 97.0 average yards per game.

Husky quarterback Keith Heckendorf has piled up almost 2,000 passing yards and 27 touchdowns already this

The game starts at 1 p.m. at Selke Field in St. Cloud, Minn.

UNO returns home for two straight conference games next week.

NCAA rules Oct. 11 Maverick hockey win a tie

BRIAN BRASHAW
SPORTS LIDETOR

Heading into the weekend, UNO carried a 2-2 record. But after winning against UMass and losing to Boston, UNO found itself with a 2-3-1 record.

The record changed when the NCAA ruled UNO's Oct. 11 win over Colgate would be changed to a tie.

UNO beat Colgate 6-5 in double overtime in the Maverick Stampede tournament. The teams were tied 5-5 going into the first overtime, a five-minute period. They were still tied after five minutes.

For the sake of the tournament, they cleared the ice and played another 20 minutes.

UNO scored in the second overtime to advance to the tourney championship and was credited with a win.

But the second, 20-minute overtime violated an NCAA rule that states after a first five-minute overtime all games still tied will be recorded as ties.

There is a stipulation that teams can hold a shoot-out or just participate in 20-minute overtimes without playing five for tournament purposes. However, a five-minute overtime followed by a 20-minute double overtime is against the rules.

Thus UNO was officially notified on Oct. 29 that its win s now a tie.

All records, including Scotty Turner's goal and the two assists, have been eliminated.

This weekend, David Brisson and Greg Zanon will lead the Maverick hockey team back into Central Collegiate Hockey Association as UNO heads to Kalamazoo, Mich.

With a week out of CCHA action, the Mavericks find themselves in eighth place in the conference.

NCAA rules

Tie Games

Rule 6. Section 52. a. If the score is tied at the end of three regulation 20-minute periods, the following should take place (Exception: see 6-52).

- (1) There shall be a two-minute intermission
- (2) The teams shall not change ends
- (3) A five-minute period shall be played
- (4) The team that scores first wins and the game is ended. If goal is not scored in the five-minute period, the game shall be declared a tie.

Tournament Competition

Rule 6. Section 54. a. Where advancement in a bracket or the determination of a tournament champion is necessary, any series in a format (e.g. single game, minigame series) that results in a tie shall be broken by 20-minute sudden death overtime periods (Exception: See 6-53-b). ... Third place games may follow the procedure as described in Rule 6-51.

Maverick harriers continue run to regionals

PAUL FREELEND
SENIOR STATE WRITER

Six UNO cross country runners took part in the Jackrabbit Open in Brookings, S.D., as a part of the team's run-up to their regional meet.

Maverick Head Coach Tim Hendricks chose not to run four of his top six runners, opting instead to give four runners an opportunity to compete for the seventh spot in the Mavs' regional meet lineup. In addition, Michelle Ellingson and Darcy Preston ran in the race for a high-level workout.

Sara Stricker had the best time of those competing for the No. 7 spot, finishing in a time of 19:11 and taking sixth place. DeAnna Bailey was 10th in a time of 19:32, Allison Gorman finished 15th in a time of 20:39 and Jennifer Victory was 17th in a time of

22:14. Preston had a time of 19:01, which was good enough for fifth place, while Ellingson finished in seventh in a time of 19:22.

No team scoring was kept at the meet, which was held at the Edgebrook Golf Course in Brookings. UNO's next competition will be the NCAA Division II Regionals in Hays, Kan., on Nov. 9. The Division II Nationals meet will be held Nov. 23 in Ashland, Ohio.

Maverick notes

The NCAA has declared UNO hockey's win over Colgate in the Maverick Stampede a tie. After one five-minute overtime, the teams played a 20-minute overtime, in which UNO scored. The second overtime was against the NCAA rules, and thus, the game was ruled a tie. For more information check out USCHO.com.

Craig Zubersky, a freshman defenseman for the hockey team has left the team to pursue interests in Canadian major junior hockey. Zubersky played in two games for UNO without a point. He had two assists in the Mavericks' exhibition against Manitoba.

Two legendary teams will be honored at the hall of fame banquet on Nov. 4. The 1962 football team, which was 8-1-1 and won the All-Sports Bowl, and the 1991 national champion wrestling team, will be honored.

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they learn how and why the production was created.

Nieves-Powell says the vision for *Yo Soy Latina* drew from her personal experiences. She noticed Latinas need voices.

"The play was my own spiritual journey," Nieves-Powell says.

She says the production encourages people to "take pride in your own identity."

For Nieves-Powell, her production helps empower women from all walks of life

"You have to go through a process of finding yourself," she says.

Nieves-Powell says the joy and smiles as well as the pain Latinas have are too familiar. As each character tells her story, Nieves-Powell says, her audience begins to connect a common bond that links Latinas together.

"The pain is the same," she says.

Nieves-Powell says some of the many issues she addresses in her play are about the "strength that lies within all of us women, that we have a function in life and without pain, one cannot truly experience

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"MADD is better that any therapy I've ever had," she said. "If I can help one or two people, that's what matters."

Through Sherry's story and words of pain, she stressed the importance of using designated drivers and making the right decisions.

"There is nothing wrong with a few cocktails but know your limit," Sherry said. "You just need to realize you have to make a conscious choice before you get behind the wheel. There are consequences for everything you do."

Sherry said MADD has already managed to make a change in Nebraska,

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Cultural Awareness Programs, Student Organizations and Leadership Programs, Project Achieve, Native American Studies, the Goodrich Program, the English Department and the Multicultural Affairs office.

In addition to the Leonard Peltier Case presentation by Ellison, students and faculty are invited to four other programs commemorating Native American Heritage:

Vocal Performance by Joanne Shenandoah, 7 p.m., Nov. 1 in the MBSC Ballroom

"Otoe-Missouri Tribe: The Forgotten Nebraskans," a speaker presentation by The Maverick hockey game between Alaska-Fairbanks on Saturday, Nov. 9 will be televised by NETV. The telecast will be statewide. It will also be available online at net.unl.edu.

The Central Collegiate Hockey Association became the first college hockey conference to sign a deal with the National College Sports Network. The network will launch in the first quarter of 2003 and is dedicated to 24-hour coverage of college sports. The network will have rights to televise CCHA regular season and postseason games.

NCSN was co-founded by President/CEO Brian Bedol, Chairman Stephen Greenberg and co-founder/Executive Vice President Chris Bevilacqua. The trio was also responsible for starting the Classic Sports Network, which was later sold to ESPN.

growth."

Iris Perez, a student, was among a handful of women who were able to meet the cast to talk about Latina issues.

"I feel like it was a big eye-opener," she says.

Perez, an aspiring actress, asked the women for advice about her career. In the process, she felt that she learned more about herself and her culture.

"It got me to realize who I am," Perez says, "It reopened the cultures of who I am."

She says each character in the monologue came from deep within her. She felt connected with all the characters.

"They showed you a quality and gave you a lesson to take and carry with you for the rest of your days," she says.

Flow Latinas see themselves often determines others see them. Yo Soy Latina illustrated that prejudices still exist and that "we carry the burden of change."

Nieves-Powell felt the underlining meaning is that Latinas each carry the quality of strength, intelligence, ambition, pride, vibrancy and beauty, and when they find at least one of these qualities, it is the beginning of their journey to be who they need to be.

even though she believes Nebraska's laws are not as strict as they need to be. The legal blood/alcohol level for legal age drinkers was changed from .1 to .08, partially due to MADD's influence.

For Sherry, a dream of what her brother would be doing if he were alive is all she has left. She said Nebraska must enforce drinking and driving laws in order to make a difference. Until then, she will continue to contribute what she can with her story.

"This is my reality," she said. "I am trying to get the picture out there so other families don't have to go through the reality my family has to go through because it can happen to anybody."

Matthew (Sitting Bear) Jones, 11:30 a.m., Nov. 4 in the MBSC Nebraska Room

"According to Coyote," a presentation by Mixed Blood Theatre, 11:30 a.m., Nov. 11 in the MBSC Nebraska Room

Dakota/Lakota Traditional Storytelling, by Joe Bad Moccasin Sr., 11:30 a.m., Nov. 26 in the MBSC Nebraska Room

Since the early 1900s, attempts have been made to acknowledge the contributions of Native Americans by selecting at least one day a year for commemoration. In 1990, President George Bush approved a joint resolution designating November as National American Indian Heritage Month.

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money for cities, not crappy agriculture, because the state's main population is based in cities," sophomore accounting major Andy Smith says.

Others say service and loyalty to a particular campaign are major factors encouraging them to vote.

"I am going to vote because I worked behind the scenes with a campaign team this time and became more interested in politics after getting my feet wet," freshman business major Shafina Khabani says.

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I have to pay out-of-state tuition to go to a Nebraska school. There are tradeoffs from having two cities within such close proximity."

Gordon feels Omaha could be more creative than building casinos. "Omaha should not piggy-back off the casinos, they should develop their own niche," she says.

Albert is also from Iowa but she now resides in Nebraska. She has not taken a stance for or against the issue of casinos in Omaha. Albert developed her opinions after writing a paper in regard to this very Freshman business major Jessica O'Connor had a similar experience.

"It will be worthless if I don't vote because I worked really hard in the summer until now to support Stormy Dean," she says.

For students choosing not to vote in this election, the main reason seems to be because of lack of research.

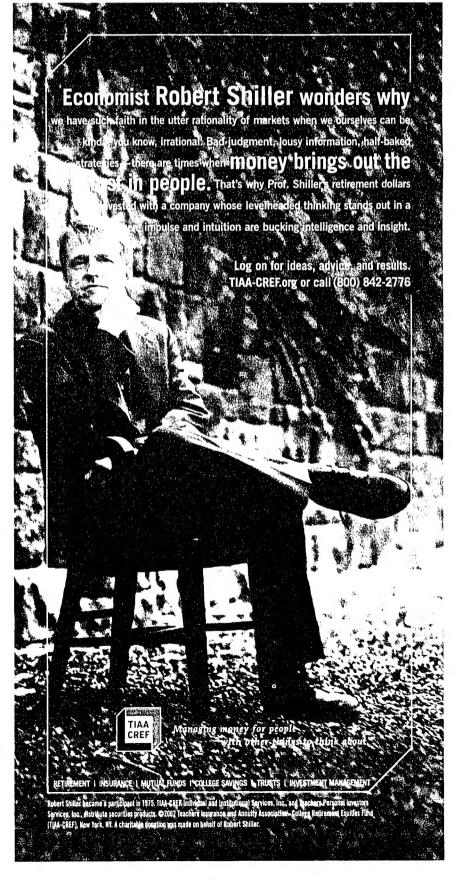
"I am not going to vote because I haven't done enough research on the candidates," junior business major Christine Baker says, "or I may be out of town."

topic for a class.

"Casinos may bring money but it seems to be a quick fix," she says. "We have no idea what is going to happen in five or 10 years."

Albert does not deny that casinos can be profitable but she is doubtful the funding from casinos will be distributed properly. "There is no guarantee the money will go toward education or lower taxes," she says.

"For every positive aspect, there seems to be a negative," she continues. "Gambling is a gamble."



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Cinched playoff spot Previous Campus Trial Pak(7-0) Sug Ep A*(7-0) Grapplers*(6-1) BRB*(6-1) Pike A* (5.2) Pike A* (3-2)
Bousevard*(6-1)
Pike Pledges* (4-5)
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Off With Board (5-4)

10. Da Moyaz (5-4) Comments: Well, it's time for the tournament Good football weather hub? Campus Trial Pak looks all but unbeatable; the only way they lose in the playoffs is if they beat themselves, period. Sig Ep A lays the wood to Pike A in their annual showdown, better luck next year. gus. Grapplers just keep winning they fill have a good chance to repeat their title from last year BRB exposes Da Movaz for the fraud they truly were, it's had when you are tackling and still getting scored on by a group of old, slow guss who beat you with a backup quarterback. Good luck to all teams in the fournament!

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meets from 2-5µm Session 2 hegins Oct 27th and runs through November 17th (four consecutive Sundays). If you signed up for one of the Session 1 classes (Latin or signed up for one of the Josephan Classes claim or Swing), it's only \$5 to continue on in the class of your choice! Cost (for Students with a Current ID and Campus Recreation Activity Cardholders) is \$1.5 for the first person, \$15 for a friend. All non-Activity Cardholders, \$18 for first person, \$15 for friend Instructor, Marty Hebert, HDER 250

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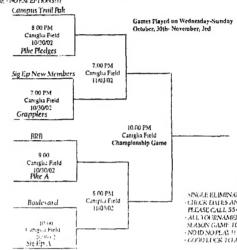
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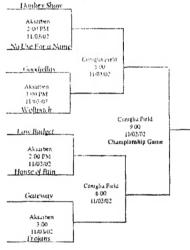


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